

THE OCALA BANNER

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Your flag and my flag, and how it flies today;
In your land and my land and half the world away;
Rose red and blood red its stripes forever gleam;
Snow white and soul white, the good forefathers' dream;
Sky blue and true blue, with stars that gleam bright;
The gloried guidon of the day, a shelter through the night.

Your flag and my flag, and oh, how much it holds!
Your land and my land secure within its folds;
Your heart and my heart beat quicker at the sight;
Sun-kissed and wind-tossed, the red and blue and white;
The one flag, the great flag, the flag for me and you;
Glorified all else beside, the red and white and blue.

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SEND IN YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

As suggested by Col. W. J. Bryan, democratic candidate for president, the Ocala Banner will receive contributions to the democratic campaign fund, and forward same to the national committee. No subscription of less than one dollar will be received, and the names of all contributors will be published in the Banner, unless otherwise requested. Receipts for all money forwarded to the national committee will also be published. Send in your subscriptions and help the cause. The committee "needs the money."

A bonus of three months' pay will be given men who re-enlist in the army.

Bryan's constantly "passing around the hat" gives a look of piety at least to the campaign.

John Temple Graves is sick. He is in a New York hospital, and had to undergo a slight surgical operation.

Mr. John D. Rockefeller recently came near being caught in an auto accident, which might have cost him his life.

Mr. Henry M. Flagler is spending a part of the summer at Breton Woods, N. H., and is enjoying excellent health.

The sawmill men of Tampa have raised the price of lumber 15 per cent. The increased price has already gone into effect.

Hisgen, as his name implies, is a musical composer. The name of his running mate is not calculated to give him much inspiration.

Editor Harper of the Jacksonville Central Labor Journal uses the personal pronoun "I" also. Soon Editor Claude will not be so many.

Japan is to assemble her full navy to receive Teddy's terrible armada. Now, if Hobson were there to do his Merrimack stunt, wouldn't it be great?

Senator Allison's funeral was a mile long. He was in public life thirty-five years, and no breath of wrongdoing clouds his memory.

John Temple Graves' letter of acceptance will be as masterpiece, viewed as a literary production. No man knows how to use adjectives to better effect.

If Colonel Bryan can only supply the demand for fried chicken, possum and sweet potatoes the negro vote will go to him in a solid phalanx.—Jacksonville Floridian.

If convict lessees were heavily fined and imprisoned for their brutal treatment of the poor miserable devils in their charge, inhuman practices would soon end.—Jacksonville Floridian.

"I and Germany," says the kaiser, "are sorry," speaking of the loss of Count Zoppelin's airship. I always comes first. He has a worse case of it than Editor Claude.

Mr. Harry K. Thaw still keeps the newspapers busy. He has lately filed a petition in bankruptcy, which has started the yellow journals off again. He has for a long time been a star performer for the yellow press syndicate.

IMPRESSIONS OF NORTH CAROLINA

We were exceedingly disappointed in the fact that those bedimpled, rosy cheeked mountain lassies failed to materialize. As we remember we saw but one little girl with freckless face and rosy cheeks that in any way approached the picture so vividly riveted in our imagination of the beautiful mountain lassie of whom we have read so often in the newspapers and magazines. True, we saw a good many rosy cheeks at the hotels, boarding houses and at the meeting of the trains, but they did not look altogether as if they were painted by the mountain air and sunlight.

The men—we mean the working men and farmers, principally the latter—as a rule are tall and gaunt, prematurely bent as with the weight of years. They till little patches of earth here and there and drive great distances over the mountain roads to sell their meagre produce. The "no fence" law is in evidence in North Carolina, and nearly every home has a cow and a calf. They are tethered about in spots to eat the succulent grasses. Looking out from our window early one morning we saw a man holding a calf, which was tied to a rope, and notwithstanding there was a heavy downpour of rain he held it for an hour or more so that it could crop the grass, which was not at all abundant. Rain or shine every morning this old man was there with his calf.

We mention this to show what straits these poor folks are in.

The women look wan and faded. Their figures are not models nor do they possess the ruddy glow of health. They climb long distances over the mountains with a bag or basket of apples, which they sell for fifteen or twenty cents. If it were not for the apples we do not know what the poor people up in that country would do.

All the valley lands, of course, are under cultivation, but the area is quite limited, but what there is of it yields abundantly. Strangely enough the mountain sides are utilized in a most remarkable degree. Crops are seen growing at almost perpendicular heights. How they manage to plow the furrows seems almost impossible to a flatwoodsman.

In some places the crops are very fine, but as a rule no better than our own.

We saw very little cotton under cultivation, yet at every little town, much smaller than Ocala, we saw cotton mills of some description, and it is said that these mills pay good dividends to their owners. Generally, too, these mills are run with steam power.

The principal trade at Saluda, where we stopped, is shipping the bark of the chestnut oak for tanning purposes, and poplar wood for making wood pulp.

This bark and wood are procured under great difficulties and are hauled great distances down the mountains.

In former times the bark of the Florida red oak was used quite extensively for tanning purposes, and no doubt quite an enterprise could be built up along this line. The chestnut oak bark sells for \$8 and \$10 per cord. The Florida red oak bark could be procured with less expense.

It seems, too, that our wahoo and other soft woods could be utilized for the making of wood pulp.

Just before leaving Saluda for home we took a trip to Tryon. It is a pretty village at the foot of the mountains, and is both a winter and a summer resort. It is noted for its grape vineyards. We visited the vineyard of Mr. A. J. Lomert. He has a fine vineyard and makes a most excellent article of wine. We were invited to his wine house and sampled his vintage. He has port, sherry, claret, sauter, etc. The brew is pure and the flavor excellent. He has two 500 gallon casks, nine 60 gallon casks, and fifty or more ordinary barrels, and he expects to fill them all from his present vintage. He sells the sherry for 45 cents per quart bottle and the port for 50 cents. Under the prohibition laws of North Carolina we were told that the manufacture and sale of domestic wine is not prohibited.

Mr. Lomert was a former partner of Mr. Dubois, who had a vineyard near Tallahassee. He is not exuberant in his praise of Florida.

The climate about Tryon is said to be delightfully dry and the air superbly invigorating. It is claimed to be especially excellent for persons suffering from the effects of weak lungs, and some most miraculous cures are cited.

The "Mimosa Inn," named for the mimosa tree, somewhat resembling our poinciana tree, is said to be the most comfortable and luxuriant stopping place for the price of any place in the country. "Oak Hall" is the name of another hotel in the village proper, which is chock-a-block with visitors in the winter time. It would be in the summer time also if there were as many millionaires south as there are north.

Nestled at the foot of the mountains, with magnificent drives and

beautiful scenery, Tryon is a lovely and favored spot.

Floridians are at Tryon, as they seem to be everywhere. There we met Mr. Hamrick, Mr. Valmore Izlar, Mrs. Looney and several others residing in other sections of the state other than Ocala.

In the rugged grandeur of her scenery North Carolina has Florida faded, but in almost all other respects Florida is the better state, and as a whole her people are in better shape.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER CONTINUING HIS BENEFACTIONS

Mr. John D. Rockefeller has through the general education board added \$73,500 to the \$104,000 appropriated for work which Dr. S. A. Knapp of the department of agriculture is doing among southern farmers. Dr. Knapp has 152 agents in the south, and he has established 12,000 demonstration farms. Twenty thousand farmers cooperate in applying the scientific methods he proposes, and make reports as to results. At least 360,000 farmers each year visit the demonstration farms. After five years a transformation is revealed in all sections. By getting the best seed, by saving the moisture, fertilizing and rotating crops, a bale and a half of cotton are grown where less than a bale grew before, and it is harvested before the boll weevil comes around. Banks are being filled, stores are reopened, and the value of southern property is enhanced in some cases by 500 per cent.

Prof. Rolfs of the State University, says that over in west Florida, where as many as six hundred farmers attend the Farmers Institutes, sometimes in the most remote rural districts, the greatest improvements are noticeable in the products of farm crops.

In South Carolina a new revelation has been given the farmers, and crops are being doubled and farming is getting to pay better than any other business, and with less cost and worries.

The cost of fencing has long since been abolished.

Forces are constantly at work for the improvement of the farming industry—making its burdens less and profits more.

THE WAILES CLAIM

Ex-Chief Justice George P. Raney was a recent visitor to Jacksonville, and while there talked to a representative of the Metropolis about the ultimate payment of the Wailes claim. Judge Raney spoke as follows:

"I do not think there is any doubt whatever but that the claim of Col. Sidney I. Wailes against the state of Florida will be paid, and am pleased at the fact that the Metropolis has recently spoken strongly in favor of its payment. The claim is an absolutely just one, and I do not think Florida can afford to continue further in refusing to pay Colonel Wailes for his great work, which resulted in Florida securing an immense amount of money that would have been lost but for his persistent efforts."

A great many people of Florida, who are familiar with this claim are in entire sympathy and agreement with Judge Raney in his statement of the case.

The late General Robert Bullock of this city, who perhaps was more familiar with the case than anyone else, was persistent in the statement that it was a just claim and in its settlement, according to the stipulations made in the contract with Colonel Wailes, the state's integrity was at stake.

THE NEW EDITOR OF THE TIMES-UNION

The Times-Union is to be congratulated in its good judgment in the retention of Willis M. Ball as its editorial head. He is already making the influence of the paper keenly felt. We knew he would, for he is one of the best all-round newspaper makers we ever saw.—Jacksonville Floridian.

There is one thing that can be said in favor of those who control the Times-Union. When they get hold of a good man they never turn him loose. Mr. Wilson, the late editor-in-chief, and Mr. Stockton, the late business manager, had life positions, and Mr. Ball is likely to be treated in the same way. Mr. Ball, who has lately been promoted to the place made vacant by Mr. Wilson's death, is deserving of all the flowers the state newspapers are throwing along his pathway. He is a good man and a most clever writer.

ALAS, POOR TAFT

Here is a puzzle: I am the name of a presidential candidate. Cut off my head and you will see where my original will stand after the November election. Cut off my tail and spell the remainder backward and it will show the unfortunate condition of my original when the thermometer is in the nineties and a strenuous boss after him with a big stick to goad him to perpetual action.—Tampa Tribune.

IS THE ELECTORAL VOTE IN FLORIDA IN DANGER

Inverness, Fla., Aug. 10, 1908.
To the Editor Ocala Banner:
In the investigation of any question of public importance the Bible directs us "To the law and the testimony for those who speak not according to these words, there is no truth in them."

Section 4 of article 4, Constitution of the U. S., reads: "The United States shall guarantee to every state in this Union a republican form of government." This is the law; now let us see the testimony. Has there been a republican form of government known and distinguished among the several states, as in the state of Florida? A republican form of government is one instituted by representatives of the people of the state in accordance with the fundamental law of the state and the fundamental law of the United States; and where the fundamental law of the state fixes and defines how, when and in what manner or method that representatives of the people should be chosen, and this has not been done in the state of Florida. Then it must be true that the state of Florida is not now, and has not been for several years, a republican form of government.

Section 2, article 14, Constitution of the U. S., includes members of the electoral college as well as members of congress in speaking of the rights of the people to select their representatives, and should the members constituting electors for president and vice president come from a state not having a republican form of government, not be allowed, from proper objections, to cast the electoral vote of the state? But of such is the kingdom of demagogues.

POLITICAL SUICIDE

Messrs. Hearst and Graves are committing the same melancholy mistake that in times gone by has proved so fatal to Messrs. Tom Watson, Palmer and Buckner, and others who might be mentioned. One may not approve of his party's nominee on certain parts of its platform, but the better policy is to smother down this feeling and lend all the support possible to the success of the ticket. Tom Watson today commands respect and admiration from the superlative powers of his intellect, but aside from this he is a political derelict, ignored and forgotten by the powers and forces that rule the land. Messrs. Hearst and Graves, if they had been content to give their best support, freely and gladly, without murmur or dissatisfaction, would have met with their reward in time; but acting as they have, they have thrown away forever their chances of any real prominence.—Chester (S. C.) Reporter.

NEGROES AGAINST TAFT

A serious and earnest effort will be made by leading negro men to organize and vote as many of their race in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Missouri as possible against the republican national ticket. The leaders of the movement maintain that voting for republicans as a habit, without regard to fair treatment, is injurious to the negroes as a race. They hold that it is to the interest of the blacks as well as of the country that there should be a division into two parties. What effect the movement will have on the approaching election is problematical.—Tampa Times.

BRYAN AND KERN

Bryan was determined to have for a running mate a man whose name ends with n. His preference was Johnson, but he is satisfied with Kern. Possibly he is a trifle superstitious. He knows full well that all presidential candidates whose surnames ended with "n" with a vice presidential candidate whose surname also ended with "n" were elected.

Jefferson—Clinton.
Madison—Clinton.
Jackson—Calhoun.
Jackson—Van Buren.
Lincoln—Hamlin.
Lincoln—Johnson.
Harrison—Morton.

POOR PENSACOLA

Pensacola is just recovering from the horrors of that lynching, only to again be afflicted with Jacksonville's discarded SHEATH GOWN. Truly, "One woe doth tread upon another's heels."

We harbor no feelings of unkindness for Pensacola, and truly think she deserves a better fate.—Jacksonville Floridian.

SURE OF ONE VOTE

Tom Watson, who voted for himself as against Judge Crisp for speaker, is always sure of one unanimous vote, whatever he runs for.—Adairsville Banner.

BRYAN AND THE NEGRO VOTE

Much useless if not foolish talk is going on about Mr. Bryan and the negro voter. He has already said that the southern states have satisfactory suffrage laws. As to the northern and western states the negro vote belongs to anyone who can get it. If the democratic committee can persuade the negroes of Maryland, New York, Indiana, Ohio and Illinois to vote the democratic ticket Bryan's election may be secured. What harm is there in persuading the negroes? It can be done through their bishops, preachers and political leaders. It is just a question of persuasive power on the part of democrats. In such a presidential contest as we now have, there is no time for sentiment to come in and prevent the persuading of negroes to vote for their best friends. It would be a good joke on the republicans to turn their own guns against them.—South Carolina Spartan.

We are glad sometimes to be able to agree with those we most oftentimes disagree. Giving the Mobile Register a gentle toning down. Editor Harper of the Jacksonville Central Labor Journal says: "We believe that Mobile is worthy of a good newspaper, on which should be employed a fair-minded editor—one capable of giving Mr. Hearst his due, as well as Mr. Taft or Mr. Bryan or Mister Anybody Else." That should be the keynote of every editor. Give everyone their due. Be fair-minded and broad-minded. According to our way of thinking Mr. Hearst is off the track, politically, but that does not blind us to the fact that he is a remarkable man. He would be great if he were not rich. His speech at Chicago, as a literary effort, was a masterpiece. His speeches in his campaign against Huges were spontaneous productions and were all excellent, and showed the manner of man Hearst is. Hearst, like Tom Watson, is a great genius. We are really sorry that he is not supporting Bryan now, as he was in the memorable campaign of 1896.

There is no occasion for worry because the general revenue fund of the state is somewhat reduced at this time, and certainly the incident does not furnish ground for the calling of an extra session of the legislature, the expenses of which would still further reduce the fund. Several of the counties have not made full settlement with the state on account of the taxes for 1907 and it is less than sixty days until the license taxes will be due. The license tax for the year beginning October 1st will amount to something like \$400,000. It will be seen, therefore, that there is no occasion for alarm, even if the state is a little short just now. At this particular season of the year we are all a little short, but those who have full collections in direct prospect are losing no sleep over the present reduced size of their bank accounts.—Starke Telegraph.

Adjutant General Corbett has written that he has letters in his possession from a number of gentlemen and business firms in Tampa saying that the military companies of that city were made up of men without moral or business standing. Mr. R. F. Bettis, a citizen of Tampa, threatens the adjutant general with a civil suit for damages unless he retracts what he has said. We should think that the citizens of Tampa who have given the adjutant general his information ought to be the one Mr. Bettis should so in search of.

The Tampa Evening News has suspended publication. It was one of our brightest publications, and when it reached this sanctum the scissors were always in readiness to give it a generous welcome. The stock of the News was held mostly by the Tribune Publishing Company, and that corporation will make good all its contracts. The Tribune corporation will now be devoted to the Tribune solely. Its owners are determined to make it the greatest newspaper in south Florida.

Hon. Wm. L. Douglas states that he can well afford to be out of politics. And many of us wouldn't mind being in "Douglas' shoes."—Palatka Times-Herald. The price is only \$3.50 per.

One of Evelyn Thaw's former associates confirms the rumor that the star witness in the trial would take up fiction seriously.—Atlanta Journal.



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The agonizing itching and burning of the skin, as in eczema; the frightful scaling, as in psoriasis; the loss of hair and crusting of scalp, as in scalded head; the facial disfigurement, as in acne—all demand remedies of extraordinary virtues to successfully cope with them. That Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills are such stands proven by testimonials of remarkable cures when many remedies and even physicians have failed. One set is often sufficient to cure.

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Much comment is provoked in England because Theodore L. has been offered that famous \$1 per word—higher rates than paid the honest, literary workman, Henry James. But as the Louisville Courier-Journal so aptly remarks: "Fancy paying Henry James \$1 a word for a story of a lion hunt, and forcing the reader to pore over \$3750 worth of copy and then guess whether the lion was hit or missed."

Capt. D. C. Purse, a prominent citizen of Savannah, well known in Florida because of his connection with the industrial development of both Georgia and Florida, committed suicide Friday, and since which time a nephew of his has attempted death at his own hands. Business troubles are supposed to be the cause. Nothing is more calculated to make one take his own life than business worries after he has passed the buoyancy of youth.

Heavy and timely rains have saved the big corn crop of Nebraska. The yield is now estimated at 300,000,000 bushels. Fifty million dollars were saved by a single night's downpour. The wheat crop had already been safely harvested. The farmers in Nebraska are happy. They have good crops and a presidential nominee they are learning more and more to love.

Jose Savadere, who several weeks ago wrote a "black hand" letter to a prominent Tampa citizen, has been sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. It was at first thought that Savadere was a member of an organized body of blackmailers, but all the evidence shows that he was playing a "lone hand" game.

James S. Sherman has notified the republican national committee that he will be ready to be "notified" of his nomination for vice president on August 18, and the committee will repair to his home at Utica, N. Y., on that date for the purpose of springing the information on him.

An Iowa editor was asked, "Do hogs pay?" He replied: "A good many do not; they take the paper several years and then have the postmaster send it back marked 'refused' or 'gone west.'—Manatee Journal.

Taft's daily golf reminds us of Parker's daily swim. Parker swam into the soup and Taft will probably golf into a hole.—Tampa News.